



# Discovery Playhouse

Children's Society

November/December 2019

## ADMINISTRATOR'S COLUMN

Fall is a beautiful time of year, with the leaves changing colours, the kids excited for Halloween and Christmas and warm nights by the fire.



Over the last two months we have seen the children settle into their programs, bond with their teachers and meet new friends. What can we expect from the next two months? Wet weather, darker days and of course a Fundraiser! That's right, CHOCOLATE!! Yum yum,,,,,, delivered just in time for the holidays. You will find the Purdy's catalogue in your parents' slot as of Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November, ready for you to order online. Perfect for teachers' gifts, and everyone else on your list, even stocking stuffers. Ordering closes November 20<sup>th</sup> for early December delivery.

**December 24<sup>th</sup>** is a Tuesday and we are asking all families that will require care that day to please let us know ASAP. If no care is needed, we will be closing the Centre. If we are open, we will be closing early at 3pm.

### Dates to remember

November 8<sup>th</sup> - Pro D Day

November 11<sup>th</sup> - Closed - Remembrance Day

December 5<sup>th</sup> - PME early dismissal at 11.30am; Adventurers only starting at 2.20pm; Preschool in session this day

December 6<sup>th</sup> - Pro D Day - No Preschool - Adventurers care available by signing up

December 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> - Last day of preschool

**December 24<sup>th</sup> - tentatively open for Daycare and Adventurers, if open, will close at 3pm.**

**Please let the Center know ASAP what your childcare needs are for this day.**

January 2<sup>nd</sup> - Centre re-opens for Daycare and Adventurers

January 6<sup>th</sup> - Preschool classes resume



Rachel  
Executive Director

## DAYCARE COLUMN

Hello Daycare Families,

Over the last two months, the children were interested in horses and ponies, which led our interests into farms. We were very lucky to be able to visit Murphy's Meadows hobby farm and see the ponies, feed the chickens, check out the tractor and bring home a pumpkin. Special thank you to Lise for opening her doors and welcoming us for this fun field trip, and to all the drivers who were able to help us out.



We have been busy getting in the spirit for Halloween. The children have been trick or treating around the room, getting dressed up in costumes, having some ooey, gooey sensory experiences with slime and pumpkin guts, and finally celebrating with our Halloween party.



The children have been interested in playing the drums lately which is leading us into our next theme of musical instruments.

### Dates to remember:

November 11th- Remembrance Day (center closed)

November 29th- Pyjama Day

December 20th- Daycare Christmas party

December 24th- center closes at 3

December 25<sup>th</sup> -January 1st center closed

January 2<sup>nd</sup> - Daycare opens

December 24<sup>th</sup> - tentatively open for Daycare and Adventurers, if open, will close at 3pm. Please let the Center know ASAP what your childcare needs are for this day.

If you have any questions, feel free to see any one of us.

Christina, Emily, Abby, Jen and Victoria

## PRESCHOOL COLUMN

October was a very eventful month for us! We started with our Little Terry Fox Run, moved into some Thanksgiving projects, class photos, Pumpkin Patch fieldtrip and then ending with Halloween!

In November we will be exploring transportation. We have noticed an interest amongst all 3 classes with construction vehicles, emergency vehicles, monster trucks etc.

Class A & B will have their Pajama Day on Tuesday November 5<sup>th</sup>.

We have someone coming in to do yoga with class A & B on November 26<sup>th</sup>.



On December 13<sup>th</sup> Class C will be making Gingerbread houses. We will have our lunch earlier and we ask that a parent or other adult come back early at 12:15 to help their child make their gingerbread house. Each child on this day will need an empty milk carton \*(no bigger than 250 ml) and a small bag of assorted candy to decorate their house. If you are unable to come back and help, please let a teacher know. Unfortunately, no siblings are not invited to attend, due to room capacity.

Our Christmas Parties will be December 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>. On this day every child will need a wrapped Christmas tree ornament labeled TO: BLANK From: Your Childs Name. We do an ornament exchange during our party.

### Date to remember:

Nov 8<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> - No school

Nov 26<sup>th</sup> - Yoga Class A

Dec 6<sup>th</sup> - No school

Dec 13<sup>th</sup> - Gingerbread houses Class C

Dec 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Parties

Dec 24<sup>th</sup> - Jan 5<sup>th</sup> - No school

We will be holding very informal 10-minute Parent/Teacher interviews on January 24<sup>th</sup>. Sign up will be coming in December.

Once again thank you to all of you parents for all the duty days & committee work. It is so much appreciated and helps make our programs run much smoother.

Your Teachers,  
Lori, Sonja and Abby

## ADVENTURER'S COLUMN

The start of the school year has flown by. We are all settled in now after having a busy September. This fall has given us some very wet days and some amazing days. Through it all, we spent a lot of time outside. The classics have made a bit of a come back as the children have been enjoying Kick the Can and Four Square. They also like to play Soccer and swing on the monkey bars. During this wet time of the year we will spend a little time outside every day. So please bring weather appropriate clothing. If you would like your child to change into rain pants or a muddy buddy, please let us know so we can remind them.

In the gym the children like to play tag, soccer, basketball and hockey. The gym is a great way for the children to burn off some energy as they get ready for a long day of school. All this running and active play means the children get thirsty, so please bring a water bottle every day. We have been back to our monthly trips to the library. We get to play with Lego, read books, play board games and so much more. Thanks to the Pitt Meadows Library for hosting us. Back in the room the group likes to play Stratego, read books and create at the art table. It is truly amazing what they can come up with when given a few simple art supplies.



In November, for the Pro D day, our field trip will be to Captain Kids. For many of the children the bus trip is as much fun as Captain Kids itself. We will continue to plan a lot of fun actives for your children to do. Lastly, if your child does not need to be picked up from school please let us know. This saves us calling you as we will always look to pick up your child unless you have told us different. If you have any question about your child or the program feel free to talk with me in person or by contacting the centre.

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Rob and Jane